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Poetry.

MY DREAM.

BY JOHN H. WHITTIER.

In my dream I thought I trod,
Yonder night, a mountain road;
Narrow as Al Siwa's span,
High as eagles' flight it ran.

Overhead, a roof of cloud
With its weight of thunder bowed;
Underneath, to left and right,
Ran a stream of light and night.

Here and there a wild flower blushed,
Now and then a bird-song gushed;
Now and then, through rifts of shade,
Stars shone out and sunbeams played.

But the goodly company
Walking in that path with me,
One by one the light of life,
One by one the darkness hid.

Some with willing and lament,
Some with cheerful courage went;
But of all who sought or mourned,
Never one to us returned.

Anxiously, with eye and ear,
Questioning that shadowy crew,
Never hand in token stirred,
Never answering voice I heard!

Steeper, darker!—lo! I felt
From my feet the pathway melt.
Swallowed by the black despair,
And the hungry jaws of air.

Past the story-throated cavern,
Strangled by the wash of waves,
Past the splintered crags I sank
On a green and flowery bank—

Soft as fall of thistle down,
Lightly as a cloud is blown,
Something as children's feet pressed
To the bosom of its rest.

Of the sharp horned rocks instead,
Over the grassy carpets spread,
Bright with waters singing by
Trees that dropped a golden sky.

Painless, tranquil, sorrow-free,
Old last faces welcomed me,
With whose sweetest of content,
Still expectant hope was blent.

Walking while the dawning gray
Slowly brightened into day,
Pondering that vision fled,
Thus unto myself I said:

"Sleep, and hang with clouds of strife,<
Is our narrow path of life;
And our death the dreared fall
Through the dark, awaiting all."

"So with painful steps we climb
Up the dizzy ways of time,
Ever in the shadow shed
By the forest of our dead."

"Dread of mystery solved alone,
Of the tried and unknown;
Yet the end thereof may seem
Like the falling of my dream."

"And this heart-consuming care,
All our fears of here or there,
Change of absence, loss and death
Prove but simple lack of faith."

Thou, oh Most Compassionate!
Who didst stoop to our estate,
Drinking of the cup we drain,
Treading in our path of pain,

Through the doubt and mystery,
Greatest, the steps to see,
And the grace to draw from thence
Larger hope and confidence.

Show thy radiant love, and let,
As of old, the angels sing,
Whispering by thy open door:
"Fear not! He hath gone before!"

Agriculture.

A DOUBLE CROP.—Plant and cultivate
early potatoes upon deep-plowed, well-
manured land, upon the level system, and
whenever you are ready to set out cabbage
plants, place them in rows between the
rows of potatoes, and although somewhat
shaded, they will get a good start and make
the leads after the potatoes are ripe or
long for early use. In this way a person
with only a limited quantity of ground may
raise a double crop.

CURCULIO REMEDY.—The most feasible
remedy for farmers generally to apply to
their plum trees, to prevent the destruction
of their fruit by the curculio, is to smoke
the trees. Make a "smudge" to the wind-
ward of the trees every evening during the
time the curculio is active in stinging the
fruit, and in a great measure it will be
prevented.

FLOWERS AND VINES.—Train the vines
upon the sunny side of your house—dig
up the little patches by your door—near
the trees and vegetables, and nurse the
flowers. Their fragrance will be at your
windows, the birds will come and sing to
you, and you will bless God and be happy.

MARROWFAT BEANS.—This is the name
given to a new variety of beans in Connecti-
cut; that is, new there, as it appears they
are cultivated in Tennessee. It is claimed
that this bean is of a higher flavor, is more
productive and of a larger size than the com-
mon white or field beans.

CUTTING AND CURING HAY.—All the
grasses and clover, are the better for being
cut when in flower, and before the seed is
formed. In curing it, after letting it re-
main a few hours in the swath, it should
be thrown into cocks to complete the cur-
ing process.

Selected Tale.

Jim Blander and the Quaker.

There lived in a certain neighborhood
not far distant from here, a roystering,
rowdy bully, named Jimmy Blander. Jim
was some in a fight—a kind of pugilistic
Napoleon.

Many and bloody were the affairs he
had in his lifetime, and he invariably came
off first best. Jim not only considered
himself invulnerable, but all the fighting
characters in the surrounding country
conceded it was no use fighting Jim, as
he was considered to be a patent thrashing
machine that could not be improved upon.
In Jim's neighborhood had settled quite a
number of Quakers. From some cause or
other, Jim hated the "shad-bellies," as he
called them, with entire heart; he often
declared that to whip one of these inoffen-
sive people would be the crowning glory
of his life. For years Jim waited for a
pretext. One of Jim's chums overheard a
young Quaker speak in disparaging terms
of him. The report soon came to Jim's
ears, not a little magnified. Jim made
desperate threats what he was going to do
with Nathan, the meek fellow of Penn.
on sight, besides the various bruises and
contusions he meant to inflict on Nathan's
body: in his chaste language, he meant
to gouge out both his eyes and chew off
both his ears.

Nathan heard of Jim's threat, and very
properly kept out of his way, hoping time
would mollify his anger. It seemed, how-
ever, that this much desired result did not
take place. One day Nathan was out rid-
ing, and passing through a long lane, when
about midway he espied Jim entering the
other end. Nathan might have turned
and fled, but his flesh rebelled at retreating.
"I will pursue my way peacefully," said
the Quaker, "and I hope the better sense
of the man of wrath will not permit him to
molest me or allow him to do violence to
my person."

Nathan's calculations as to the lamb-like
qualities of his adversary, were doomed to
be disappointed.

"Oh ho!" thought the bully, as he
recognized Nathan. "I have him at last.
I'll make mince-meat of shad-belly. I will
salt and pickle him, to!"

"Wilt thou please dismount from thy
horse?" said Jim, seizing the bridle of
Nathan's horse and mimicking his style;
"my heart yearneth above all things to
give thee the biggest mauling that ever a
man received."

"Friend James," replied Nathan, "thou
must not molest me, but let me go on my
way in peace. Thy better judgment will
surely tell thee that thou cannot possibly
be benefited by personally injuring me."

"Get down in a moment!" thundered
Jim; "get down, you canting, lying, mis-
chief-making hypocrite. I'll drag you
down if you don't dismount."

"Friend James, I remonstrate against
thy proceeding, and against thy language,"
replied Nathan. "My religion teaches
me sincerity. I am neither a liar, a mis-
chief-maker, nor a hypocrite; I am no
coward, but a man of peace; I desire to
pursue my way quietly—let me pass on."

"Get down," persisted Jim, "down
with you, I want you! I want to beat
some of your religion out of you—I must
give you a flogging before I leave you. I
think by the time I am through with you,
you will pass for a tolerably honest man. I
will teach you in a short lesson the impor-
tance of minding your own business, and
the risk you run in slandering your neigh-
bors."

"I will not dismount," said Nathan,
"loosen thy hold from the bridle."

"You won't, won't you?" said Jim,
"then here goes,"—and he made a desper-
ate plunge to collar the Quaker.

Nathan was on his feet in an instant, on
the opposite side of his horse.

The Quaker, although of much smaller
proportions than his persecutor, was all
sinew and muscle, and his well-knit form
denoted activity and strength. His wrath
was vividly enkindled.

"Friend James," he implored, "thy
persecution in persecuting me
is exceedingly annoying; thou must desist,
or peradventure I may so far forget myself
as to do thee some bodily harm."

"By snakes!" said Jim, "coming towards
Nathan, 'I believe there is fight enough in
Broadbrim to make the affair interesting.
I wish some of the boys were here to
see the fun. Now," continued Jim,
'friend Nathan I am going to knock off
the end of your nose.'"

Suited the action to the word, Jim,
after various pugilistic gyrations with his
fat, made a scientific blow at the nasal or-
gan of our friend, but Tom Hyer could not
more scientifically be warded off it—
Jim was evidently disconcerted at the ill
success of his first attempt—he saw he had
undertaken quite as much as he was likely
to accomplish. Jim, however, straightened
himself out and approached Nathan more
cautiously. The contest began again,—

Nathan stood his ground firmly and skill-
fully, warded off the shower of blows Jim
aimed at him.

"Friend James," said Nathan, in the
heat of the contest, "this is mere child's
play. It grieves me to resistance, but I
must defend myself from bodily harm. I
see there is but one way of bringing this
scandalous affair to an end, and this is by
my conquering thee; in order to do this,
friend James, I will inflict a heavy blow
between thy eyes, which will prostrate thee."

Following out this suggestion, Nathan
struck Jim a tremendous blow on the fore-
head, that brought him senseless to the
ground.

"Now," said Nathan, I will teach thee
a lesson, and I hope it will be a wholesome
one too. I will seat myself astride of thy
breast—I will place myself upon thy
arms, thus, so thou cannot injure me when
thou returnest to consciousness. I hope I
may be the humble instrument of taming
thy fierce and warlike nature, and making
a better and peaceful man of thee."

As the Quaker concluded, Jim began to
show some returning signs of life. The
first impulse of Jim, when he fairly saw
his position, was to turn Nathan off. He
struggled desperately, but he was in a vice
—his efforts were unavailing.

"Friend, thou must keep still until I am
done with thee," said Nathan. "I believe
I am an humble instrument in the hands
of Providence to chastise thee, and I trust
when I am done with thee, thou wilt be a
changed man. Friend James, dost thou
not repent attacking me?"

"No," said Jim, with an oath; "let me
up, and I'll show you."

"I will not let thee up, thou impious
wretch," replied Nathan. Darest thou
profane the name of thy maker? I will
check thy respiration for a moment."

Nathan, as good as his word, clutched
Jim by the throat. He compressed his grip
—a gurgling sound could be heard—Jim's
face became distorted—a tremor ran
through his frame. He was evidently un-
dergoing a process of strangulation. The
Quaker relaxed his hold, but not until the
choking process had sufficiently, as he
thought, tamed the perverse spirit of Jim.
It took some moments for Jim to inhale
sufficient air to address the Quaker.

"I knock under," said Jim; "enough!
let me up."

"Nay, thou hast not half enough," re-
plied Nathan. "Thou art undergoing a
process of moral purification, and thou
must be contented to remain where thou
liest, until I am done with thee. Thou
hast profaned the name of thy Maker;
confess, dost thou repent of thy wicked-
ness?"

"No, hanged if I do!" growled Jim.

"Thou perverse man," replied the
Quaker; "must I use compulsory means?
I will compress thy windpipe again, unless
thou givest me an answer in the affirmative
—say, quick, art thou sorry?"

"No—I—yes—yes!" shrieked Jim, in a
gurgling tone, as the Quaker tightened
his grip, "yes, I am sorry."

"Is thy sorrow Godly sorrow?" inquired
Nathan.

Jim rather demurred giving an affirma-
tive answer to this question, but a gentle
squeeze admonished him that he had better
yield. "Yes," replied Jim, "my sorrow
is a Godly sorrow."

"A Godly sorrow leadeth to repentance,"
replied Nathan; "we are progressing
finely. Thou saidst but just now that I was
a canting, lying, cowardly, mischief-mak-
ing hypocrite. Thou wronged me in as-
serting these things, and slandered my
person. Dost thou recall those asser-
tions?"

"Yes," replied Jim, "I do; now let
me go."

"I am not done with thee yet," said
Nathan, "thou hast been a disturber of
the peace of this neighborhood time out of
mind—thy hand has been raised against
every man—thou art a brawler. Wilt thou
promise me that in future thou wilt lead a
more peaceful life—that thou wilt love thy
neighbor as thyself?"

"Yes, answered Jim, hesitatingly, "all
but the Quakers!"

"Thou must make no exception," re-
plied Nathan; "I insist on an affirmative
answer."

"I will not say yes to that! I will die
first," said Jim.

A struggle now ensued between the two,
but Jim had his match.

"Thou must yield James; I insist on
it," said Nathan, and he grasped Jim by
the throat. "I will choke thee into sub-
mission; thou must answer affirmatively;
say after me, I promise to love my neigh-
bor as myself, including the Quakers."

"I won't promise that, I'll be cursed if
I do," replied Jim.

"I will check thy respiration, if thou
don't. Wilt thou yield?"

"No, I won't! I'll be blasted if I do,"
answered Jim.

And Nathan did now compress his grip,
and the choking process again went on.—
Jim's face at first became distorted, then
pale, and his eyes protruded from the
sockets like a dying man's. Nathan com-
pressed his grip until Jim became entirely
passive and relaxed his hold. Jim was
slow in recovering his senses; when he
did, he begged Nathan for mercy's sake to
release him.

"When thee will make the promise I
exact from thee, I will release thee, but
no sooner," replied Nathan.

Jim saw that he was powerless and that
the Quaker was resolute. He felt it was
no use to persist in his stubbornness.

"I will give in; I'll promise to love my
neighbor as myself," he replied.

"Including the Quakers," insinuated
Nathan.

"Yes," replied Jim, "including the
Quakers."

"Thou mayest arise then, friend James
I trust the lesson thou hast learned to-day
will make a more peaceable citizen of thee,
and I hope a better man," answered Na-
than.

Poor Jim was entirely humbled; he
left the field with his spirits completely
crushed. Not long after this occurrence,
the story became bruited about. He soon
after left the scene of his many triumphs,
and his late disastrous defeat and emigra-
tion to the West. The last I heard of him
he was preparing to make another move.
Being pressed for his reason why he again
emigrated still further West, he said a
colony of Quakers were about moving into
his neighborhood. He was under obliga-
tion to love them, but he was of opinion
that distance would lend strength to his at-
tachment.

The following Humorous and Eccentric
Letter has been received in reference to
St. Marys and lands in Elk county:

MANHEIM, LANCASTER CO., Pa.
Messrs. Editors:—There has been
much excitement and inquiry in our neigh-
borhood as to the lands of the "Ridgway
Company" located in Elk county, Pa.

Advertisements seem to have gone abroad
in almost every direction, where John
Guttenberg's ointment is at all used, and
even within the quiet shades of our own
pleasant village that same printer's ink has
held up to view the wonderful attractions
and belongings of these Western Pennsylv-
ania Lands. A farm and a home seeming
almost to be within my very reach, and at
a price too, so comfortably moderate, that
I dropped from my grasp the Evening Star,
in which was detailed the advertisement,
and began to reflect. Action prompted
me at once to prepare for a trip to Elk,
and the next day, with carpet bag in hand,
and determination in heart, I embarked
upon the excursion. By railroad I set out
for Tyrone City, in Blair county, at which
place I found an excellent team belonging
to the Company in waiting, and ready, for
a start to St. Marys. Young Mr. Schultz,
under whose supervision and Jewish spirit
this department seemed to be, I discovered
an excellent companion, but off we must
go, so hurrah! boys—"get away dobbins
from before us!" And away we went, for
the land of big trees and maple sugar.

During the whole of this trip I observed
no roughness in the roads, nor had I any
occasion to regret my hurried exodus to
the settlement, now for the first time loom-
ing upon our sight. This must be attri-
butable to the entertaining conversation of
our whip, who every now and then would
cheer us with a lively joke or story, for
in truth let me say it—the roads were of
the roughest kind, jolting one's poor
bones most terrifically. Christopher Colum-
bus and Andrew Jackson! what was
my amazement when I began to behold
clearly the tidy and thrifty habitations of
St. Marys, in all its virgin purity of white-
wash and humility. What, during the
whole ride from Clearfield had I seen to
compare at all with this? Around and
about everything gave indications of neat-
ness and hospitality—and, as the Queen
of Sheba once said to Mr. Solomon several
years ago—that even the half had not been
told of his kingdom, so the moiety had not
been written, of the glory of this place.—

Although now only, as it were, on the
threshold of the property owned by the
Ridgway Company, my expectations seem-
ed to be fully realized.

Many of my friends endeavored to dis-
suade me from going upon the trip, and
condemned the whole thing as a humbug;
but in spite of all opposition or obstacle
I went, and now I can snap my fingers and
whistle at them, or their want of faith, and
leave the old fogies to take care of them-
selves as best they can. "My heart is in
the Highlands." Here will I pitch my
tent, and chase the wild deer of Elk county.

Crocket was correct, "he always sure
your right," then act with that persistency
which belongs so exclusively to the Ameri-
can character. "Go ahead."

We have all just alighted from our con-
veyance, and are in the good keeping of
the worthy and industrious proprietor of
the Washington Hotel, St. Marys. But
hark!—the dinner-bell—how delightful to

the keen edge of appetite a sound argu-
ment for its clangor—

Much disturbed by hungry phrelinks,
Dreaming now of apple-dumplings,
Of the smoking venison haunches,
In the land of the Benjamins,
Very pleasant was the dinner,
Like the starlight or the moonlight,
Or a gleam of early sunshine—
In the land of the Benjamins,
Do not southward, go not eastward,
Losing, lingering, loquacious leaving,
But come Northwest, for we know now,
Of the land of the Benjamins.

But enough of these false measures—
Let me say that we have dined. And such
a repast as rarely falls to my lot to partake
of. At the thought of such an entertain-
ment, your city gourmand would dance
in a paroxysm of delight. Such excellent
fare and belongings are rarely dished ex-
cept in these regions. What Snubbins or
Gobbins may say to the contrary notwith-
standing.

Bless me, what a healthful look every
man seems to have that you meet here.—
They are so robustous, that dare me if I
don't believe they have got the constitu-
tion of the United States, and the women,
too, bless them. I never believed that dis-
eases were contagious, until I sat alongside
one of these Elk County blue-eyed damsels,
and caught the palpitation of the heart—

This trouble, I believe, belongs to every
climate, common in all regions, high land or
low-land, and I yielded to its soft influences
with a becomingly quite praiseworthy.

The Elk girls may not, perhaps, be as
rich in those shining qualities which grace
your city belles. They may never have
heard of Phidias, or his statue of Jupiter;
the beautiful Helen and the Trojan war, or
Newport, but they do know all about the
useful, such as knitting, churning, mend-
ing, brewing and baking, and all other
necessary accompaniments to comfort and
enjoyment, and even in that accomplish-
ment of music which is so much the pride
and boast of interested mamma, put many
of the city girls to the blush.

Let me say to my friends, that in addi-
tion to a glorious rich soil, with its wealth
of timber and minerals, and a home, there
is also to be found a wife to grace that
home, and make its fireside happy. Seek
not in vain—as you surely will, if you seek
elsewhere—but your city girls, I cannot
away with, pinched shoes and mincing
steps. Give me none of your hour glasses
and moulds of form, but one who has a
waist like a cotton bale and foot like a floun-
der. Such will not die of thin soles or
consumption—except of corn. They are
the true help-meets, who will rough it
and tough it through the world with wil-
ling hearts and uncomplaining lips.

I have hardly begun to say all I want,
but I must not forget to allude to Mr.
Schultz, who kindly piloted me over the
Ridgway Co. lands. The scenery, of
gently sloping hill and dale, with its ma-
jestic timber, formed a grand picture,
for the sight. I observed here and there
the trees were illustrated with cuts, made
by the sturdy early pioneer, or recent
surveyor. Mr. S. also exhibited to me
some fifteen coal openings, all of which
are buds of promise for future traffic and
prosperity.

Mr. S. has taken my order for ten shares,
which I have hastened to forward before
the increase in rates, which I learn the
Company have raised to \$12 per acre,
instead of \$8.

Twelve dollars an acre is a small price
for this land. From my inquiries, I find
out the lands in the vicinity are much high-
er. I intend to give another letter shortly.
Being an old Lancaster county farmer, I
pretend to know something about land,
and in my next I will walk into the merits
of the question about a feet. This far I
find everything of the most promising
character, fine crops, limestone soil, and
good arable land, neither hilly nor stony
—enough already to satisfy any one who
is not too lazy to work for a living.

Yours, very respectfully,
DAVID LONG.

Room for the children.

Children are too much beaten and hus-
tled about—put off and run over, as if no
account—yet they are the expanding seed
of the generation of men and women soon
to be. They have souls delicate and sen-
sitive as the pulse of love. Think not
they are heedless of injustice or slight.—
The wrong done them pains or rankles
deep. The wrong repeated, accumulated,
may warp and shade a whole dawning life.
Room for the children! We were all
children once, and of such is the kingdom
of heaven. What were the world without
children, and what are children without
their fair share of room and consideration
in the world? Children—they are bless-
ings of life; crush them not, touch them
not roughly.

Act for Eternity.

O man immortal! Live for something.
Do good, and leave behind you a monu-
ment of virtue that the storm of time
can never destroy. Write your name in kin-
dness, love, and mercy, on the hearts of
thousands you come in contact with year
by year, and you will never be forgotten.
No, your name, your deeds, will be as leg-
ible on the hearts you leave behind, as the
stars on the brow of evening. Good deeds
will shine as the stars of Heaven.

Portrait of Roger Williams.

To the Editor of Providence Journal.

At the late session of the General
Assembly in this city, very many were
much gratified with a painting, to which
Mr. Baker, a member from Warren, called
the attention of that body, while convened
in grand committee. It was placed upon
the wall in the rear of the Governor on
his left, the original being suspended on
his right, and had been procured by Secre-
tary Bartlett under a resolution passed at
the winter session. The painting presents
a likeness of Gov. Coddington, the first
in office in the colonial government. The
portrait of Gov. C. had been preserved
with great care by his descendants, until
the death of Mr. Nathaniel Coddington;
who dying under the care of this city, the
City Council had it newly framed and
placed in the City Hall. This portrait
Mr. Bartlett was anxious should be copied
and the copy placed in the State House
in your city; which the Legislature, at
their session next week, will undoubtedly
order to be done. I will add that the copy
has been painted by Miss Jane Stuart,
daughter of Gilbert Stuart, late of this
city, who painted Washington's portrait.

Mr. B., as well as many others citizens,
is desirous of having, in addition to the
portrait of Gov. Coddington, that of
Roger Williams, Gen. Greene, Gen. Bar-
ton, and of other Rhode Island sons,
preserved in the same manner, and put
in the same Hall. And it in relation
to that of Roger Williams, I would ask
the attention of your readers.

In 1850, Dr. Benedict, of Pawtucket,
placed a likeness in his History of the
Baptist, which purports to be that of the
founder of Providence. At page 424, it
may be found; and upon a separate paper,
Dr. B. assigns the reason for the opinion
he credits, that it is, as it claims to be,
a painting of Roger Williams.

The history of this painting is simply
as follows: viz. Some few years since,
Mr. Daniel L. Jones, a merchant of New
York, and by birth a Welshman; and with
a great antiquarian, and especially con-
cerning everything that relates to
Wales having heard that there were to be
sold at auction in that city, several books
and paintings, which belonged to the library
of the Duke of York and having also
learned that among these were several
that appertained to his native country, he
attended the sale and there purchased two
ancient pictures, which, because they were
somewhat defaced, did not excite any
special interest in any person than Mr.
Jones. Having subsequently had them
cleaned by an artist, one of them was
pronounced, after a comparison, with the
acknowledged paintings of Cromwell, to be
that of Protector of the England in 1653.

The other, from inscriptions it bears, many
doubt not that it is a true portrait of Wil-
liams. Some have claimed that it was
a painting of Franklin painted while he
was young. But aside, that it bears no
special resemblance to that philosopher and
statesman, it may with reason be asked,
why were such inscriptions as it bears,
placed upon his portrait?

"It was, without doubt," as the historian
remarks, "made when Roger Williams
went to England, in 1643, his age then
about 40 years. In the picture his right
arm rests upon his Key to the Indian Lan-
guage; or, as its engraving reads, 'A key
to the Native Language of America, by
Roger Williams,' underneath which is a
bible. Underneath this bible, and rolling
off from the table is the Charter of which
several lines can be distinctly read. The
scroll obscures the space in some measure
but I read—'ce of the Lords and Com-
mons now assembled in Parliament, bearing
date the 2d Novr.—so Dom. 1643.
Robert, Earl of Warwick is—named
Governor in chief and Lord High Admi-
ral—use Islands and Plantations in-
habited or planted.' In his left hand
he holds a book open, on the top of each
page which is engraved the words 'Bloody
Tent.'

"That volume he published in England
in 1644. In the back ground is seen a
work inscribed, 'Coke upon Littleton,'
'which goes,' as the publisher adds, 'to
decide the controverted question of his hav-
ing been educated by Sir Edward Coke,' and
which fact is confirmed by Dr. Elton in
his Life of Williams, p. 10. Also, lying
before him, are letters addressed 'To
Robert Williams and the committee of
Providence Plantations, in Narragansett
Bay, New England, America,' and 'Mary
Williams, which are in the painting in his
own hand writing.' Without these appen-
dages, so peculiar to Williams and to
Rhode Island also, I know not how Dr.
Elton in his preface can say, 'but it is
spurious, being, with slight alterations, the
likeness of Benjamin Franklin, which
appeared in an edition of his works printed
in Philadelphia about half a century ago.'
I have not seen that likeness of Franklin
and therefore cannot contradict his state-
ment. But it can be found and compared.
At any rate, the picture in the history, as
above, is not the picture of Franklin.

Secretary Bartlett is deserving of high
commendation, not only for his effort to
place in our State Hall likenesses of our
distinguished men, especially in our earlier
history, but also for the careful manner in
which he has arranged, and has had re-
bound several volumes of our first colonial
records, some thirty years of which will
soon be issued under his faithful inspec-
tion from the press, in compliance with an
order from the Legislature, obtained at his
own solicitation a year since.

Very respectfully, yours,
HENRY JACKSON.

Newport June 17th 1856.

P. S. Mr. Jones has the original paint-
ing of Roger Williams in his possession.
It is more than three feet square." as
Dr. B. says.</

SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 1856.

At the 4th of July comes on Friday, we shall be compelled to issue the MERCURY one day in advance of our usual time. Advertisers will please bear this in mind, and have their papers in by THURSDAY noon.

It is to us a mortifying reflection that so little regard is paid to Art culture in this country, and we sometimes think that those who give the subject the most serious consideration, but waste their time on that which is little appreciated, and for which it seems impossible to excite an interest. The time was when the cares and labors of a new country pressed too heavily upon the people to expect them to gratify their tastes to any considerable degree; but that day has gone by, and now with every luxury and a refined feeling, we yet are deaf to the call of Art for sympathy, and leave mouldering on the shelf such works as should be read, to the exclusion of the sentimental tales with which our tables are covered. The only way to arrest the attention is, to bespeak an Art essay with showy cuts, as children are given pictures to induce them to read. Of the character of these cuts it is not necessary for us to speak, suffice that as a general thing they are not calculated to improve our tastes or serve any other end than to draw attention to the least pretentious portions of the sheet. The trick is a miserable one, but it seems the only way to insure success, and it is that we have to deplore; for the true basis has not, and cannot succeed, so long as the subject is not valued by the public for its intrinsic worth. The *Crayon* is and has been doing vastly more than the public is aware of to raise our standard of excellence. Those who are engaged upon it work with love, and without thought or reference to the least selfish motives, to promote a higher order of things in all that relates to Art culture. The articles that have graced its columns are sound, and would be attractive if there was any sympathy on the part of the general readers. And this is what we have to deplore. Art seems to be a sealed book and one that few are disposed to open, from the bare supposition that it cannot be made intelligible except by study and close application. But this is wholly wrong, and a little experience would convince one that there is no more delightful and fascinating study than this, men, because they neglected to read their bible in the days of their youth, refuse to take it up when they come to riper years, and others, for the same reason, wholly abstain from all indulgence in matters of taste. And thus a line drawn between the friends of art and those who treat the subject with indifference—a line that would speedily be removed if works like the one referred to were better understood.

The weather in this city was exceedingly oppressive on Saturday and Sunday last, particularly on the latter day; though warm as it appeared, and as much as every one suffered, the thermometer indicated only eighty-six, which was much below the heat experienced in other places. In New York, on Sunday, it was followed by a severe thunder storm, which proved destructive to life and property. Several persons in boats on the bay were upset, and drowned, and a boat, containing nine men, was missing. An unfinished building in Jersey city was blown down, and several persons who had taken refuge in it were injured, one fatally, and another, it is supposed, will not recover. In Brooklyn a house was struck by lightning and a woman instantly killed.

During the week, and since Sunday, the weather has been rather cool than otherwise; but yesterday there was another change towards a warmer state of things preparatory to a warm Sunday, and in anticipation of the Fourth.

We are impressed with the belief that our Fall River neighbors are doing every thing in their power to "go ahead," and there certainly seems a prospect of their arriving to a degree of prosperity unknown to other places. The last enterprise made by them is, to establish a line of packets between that city and Galway. Of the project the *Monitor* thus speaks:

"We are informed that efforts are now making to establish a line of packet ships between this city and Galway, Ireland. The situation of our city, being about equal distance from Providence, Newport, New Bedford and Taunton, make it a desirable port for the depot of such a line. The plan, we learn, meets the approval of the business men of the place. Mr. John Collins, long a resident of this city, is interested in the matter, and intends to go to Ireland soon, in order to make arrangements for carrying out the enterprise."

The New York correspondent of the Boston *Journal* gives some interesting accounts of the new application of India rubber, one of the greatest of which is the new telegraph wire. It needs no poles, as it is laid in the ground. It needs no covering; a trench of a few inches is dug, the rubber telegraph wire is put in and covered up; no storm renders the wires inoperative; no insects sever; no rust corrodes.

The rubber buttons are so tough that if one is placed on an oak plank and pressure applied, it can be sunk clear into the plank, and will come out unharmed, and the Government shelling boxes, which are about three inches in diameter, are so strong that a man weighing two hundred pounds, can press his whole weight on one of them, and not break it.

IMPORTANT POST OFFICE REGULATIONS.—The correspondent of the Boston *Daily Advertiser* communicates the following intelligence. The regulation is an exceedingly judicious one. The regulation is an exceedingly judicious one.

"The Postmaster General has today instructed the Postmaster at New York, whenever any letter is deposited unpaid, to send a circular note to the party addressed, that said letter is retained for want of prepayment, and will be forwarded on the receipt in stamps, postage, of the amount due. This plan avoids the accumulation of unpaid letters. If successful, it will be extended to other cities."

We see no reason why the system should not work well in this country. It is in operation in Europe and there proves one of great convenience.

Mr. TOURNAI, of Fall River, is making arrangements for one of his "Old Folks Concerts" in this city. They will, of course, consist of those who are among the older members of the community and who in their youthful days used to pour forth old and time-honored tunes in a manner, as Sam Slick described it, "clocking to hardened sinners." We have very many singers of the old school in this city and we are a little curious to know how many Mr. TOURNAI can bring together.

There is no better hair—in fact, none equal to the Duffield, offered in our market. They are put up with great care, are cured in the finest manner, and are every way a tempting morsel when brought to table. The best way to cook them, as far as our experience goes, is to soak them over night, and then simmer, not boil, them till done. In this way they are unsurpassed.

The steamer Matamoras, which formerly ran between New Bedford and the Vineyard, commenced running from here to Fall River on Monday last. Capt. SIMMONS is a gentleman, and a skillful commander, and during the time he ran Vineyard was made hosts of friends who regretted exceedingly his retirement from the route.

By invitation of the Newport Artillery, the New Bedford Guards will visit this city on the 4th of July, accompanied by the N. B. Brass Band. We understand that several Newport boys are attached to this company and we hope they will receive a cordial welcome.

PERNA'S THOUGHTS propose giving two concerts in this city next week. Their popularity has preceded them, and we have no doubt their entertainments will be well patronized. See advertisement.

The U. S. Court, which was in session during last week, adjourned on the 26th inst., to meet in this city on the 28th Monday in September.

The presentation of plate has not only settled into a perfect farce, but has become a nuisance—a thing to be looked upon as a humbug—a pretty cheap one at that. There have been times, we grant, when it was an honor for a man to receive such a mark of respect, bestowed by his fellows for eminent service; and there was also a time when it was an honor to be elected a member of Congress; but neither of these things are to be coveted now; for the one has become common, and, therefore, valueless; and the other has been given up to bullies and assassins, and is no longer a fit position for a respectable man. When a man has performed some great service; or through intense study and a proper use of his gifts bestows some great benefit on his fellows, it is well to mark our approbation by some such expression as a public gift. That gift should be a handsome one, and the presentation should be made in a becoming manner. Such events, occurring only at rare intervals, would have their full weight, and the gift would honor alike the donors and the receiver. But now, an expressman cannot carry a bundle safely, or a watchman conduct himself decently on his rounds, but "the friends" of the party get up a sensation and present him with "a service of plate." Every time there is a change of officers in a militia company, a piece of plate must be presented to the late incumbent. The railroad conductor who for a few seasons takes your tickets in such a gentlemanly manner, must receive a gold badge, to attest the appreciation of his numerous friends; and the bill poster, bellman and undertaker, we suppose, will, as they deserve, come in time for some such acknowledgment of skill in their several callings. The fact is, the whole thing is made cheap, dog cheap, and a service of plate, presented by a host of admirers is worth just as much market value, and no more; for the manner in which it is conveyed does not now add one jot to its weight in the eyes of a straight-forward, sensible man.

Among the distinguished men now in town, or who will visit Newport during the summer, there is no name held in more deserved respect than that of EDWARD EVERETT.

Few Americans have higher claims to the regards of their contemporaries, or honorable mention by the future historians of the country.

A man of noble presence, of superior endowments, and the highest culture, he has devoted his powers to the service of the Republic during the best years of his life.

Occupying various important posts at different periods, he has displayed an ability in every situation which has added both to his own fame and the public welfare.

Held in general admiration, not to say reverence, Mr. EVERETT will afford to disregard the fanciful fad, whether at the North or the South, who mention his name only to carp at it and deride the symmetry of character which it represents.

Mr. EVERETT is stopping with his brother-in-law, SIOCKY BROOKS, Esq.

A recent writer in Scotland says that with proper implements he would undertake from one year's end to another to furnish a patriarchal household with subsistence, so abundantly is the land supplied with game and the waters with fish; and yet, he says, amid all this bounty of nature, the inhabitants periodically starve. This he attributes to a lack of ingenuity, a prodigious deal of prejudice, and a large allowance of idleness. At places within four or five miles of the greatest abundance of cod and other fish, nothing of the kind could be obtained in the market. And in the interior no Scottish peasant will eat a trout, or an eel, or a pike, although all these may be had for the catching.

We understand that MORRILL ROBINSON, Jr., Esq., of the firm of ROBINSON & BROTHERS, attorneys at law in New Bedford, is to deliver the oration before the Alumni of Pierce Academy at Middleboro, Aug. 18. Mr. ROBINSON is a young man of excellent abilities, and an eloquent production is expected on this occasion.

T. D. ROBINSON, Esq., the senior member of the firm, delivered a splendid oration before the alumni of this same institution in 1852, which called forth well-merited praise from the journals of the day. This gentleman is one of the most laborious and promising young men at the bar in Bristol County, and stands high in his profession.

MR. EDITOR.—Those barbarous machines called hay-cutters, are fast becoming universal; so much so, that there is very little hope of any boy being suffered to grow up free from mutilation. Is there now in which the crime of setting these traps for little boys can be reached? If there is no other, public opinion should stamp those who have them, unless entirely inaccessible to boys, as an unequalled disgrace.

We think that a man, having no children of his own, and who leaves a hay cutter exposed in his yard, where his neighbors' children may get at it, is very much to blame and deserves censure.

Here is a remedy for a very troublesome disease, and for which the Buffalo *Advertiser* vouches. It is very simple, and any one who may find it efficacious would do well to make it known, for it has been very prevalent of late.

"Take a pint of common soft soap, and stir in a little lime till it is of the consistency of glass's putty. Make a 'leather chub'—fill it with this composition, and insert the finger therein. Change this composition once in twenty minutes, and a cure is certain."

On Monday last, Gen. JOHN ELDERD, American, was elected Third Representative in General Assembly by the vote of the Democratic candidate.

Majority for Mr. ELDERD, 21.

The city has been more than usually lively this week. The General Assembly has brought a large number together from different parts of the State; those who intend to pass the season here are arriving in considerable numbers, and the many boats now running on the bay are landing passengers at all hours of the day. After the Fourth of July we shall be crowded, but till then we may count on breathing room.

At the Democratic State Convention held in this city on the evening of the 26th, the following gentlemen were nominated for electors of President and Vice President:

Eastern District—WILLIAM S. WETMORE, of Newport; JOHN E. WERDES, of North Providence.

Western District—JOHN BROWN FRANCIS, of Warwick; ALFRED ANTHONY, of E. Greenwich.

We are pleased to learn that the Providence *Journal* will be enlarged on the 1st proximo. The *Journal*, for quiet dignity, uniform correctness and excellence in every department has not a superior in the country, and we shall gladly welcome it in its enlarged form.

J. A. WILLIAMS is determined to stand his hand with those who come to Newport for a few weeks while money can be made. He has opened a gallery in Debol's Block, as may be seen by his advertisement.

We learn from the Providence *Journal* that W. W. ROSSMAN, Esq., has accepted the invitation to deliver a poem at the approaching celebration of the Fourth in this city.

Another Light Ship arrived here in tow of steam tug *Heracles*, on Thursday last. She is to be stationed at Brenton's Reef in place of the *Ledyard*, which is considered too small for the location.

Col. VAN ZANT received his address before the Newport Reading Room & Lyceum on Thursday evening last. In accordance with a vote of the Society, we shall publish it in our next.

The Telegraph wires have been connected with the Atlantic and Ocean Houses, for the accommodation of the inmates of these hotels.

The Rhode-Island Congregationalists have withdrawn fellowship from the Presbyterians of both General Assemblies. The twenty churches of Rhode Island, or rather a majority of the twenty churches, have voted to discontinue all correspondence with the three thousand Presbyterian Churches of Christ, in the North, South and West. The bond of union is dissolved.

The deed was done at Providence, in the year of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, 1856, and on the 12th day of June.

Rev. D. RICE, the delegate from the O. S. Assembly, expressed no desire for the continuance of the correspondence if they wished to suspend it, but he exhibited the inconsistency, the unscripturalness, the fanaticism, and the wrong of their course, in a light so clear, convincing and irresistible, that it was impossible to meet his positions and his facts. One of the members said to us that they were taken altogether at a disadvantage in being obliged to meet such a man. Indeed, his speech was a model of manly and Christian argument.

The D. W. Poor, of the N. S. Assembly, acquitted himself well, and reflected credit upon the body who sent him, by the decided, energetic and able stand which he maintained throughout the discussion.

Of the members in the minority, it is fitting we should say that they bowed their heads, and mourned over the fierce uncharitableness and recklessness of duty and privilege, that marked the course of their brethren of the excommunication. The venerable Dr. Shepherd and Thos. Williams, the fathers of the body, submitted a resolution to postpone indefinitely the question of disunion, but they were voted down almost instantly. The Rev. Mr. Taylor spoke with the boldness and manly spirit of reformers when he denounced the measure as foolish and wicked, and infinitely offensive to the great Head of the church, and when the Rev. Thatcher Thayer, of Newport, closed the discussion, with a view of the results of the separation, he rose to a pitch of solemn but sublime and pathetic eloquence, such as we have rarely heard in the Senate or the Church. The figure of speech with which he concluded, came forth like one of the last notes of a trumpet, ringing indeed to conflict, but telling of disaster and woe. "What betides the Union of these states, I know not," he said with measured words and trembling tones, "but if disunion comes, I for one, will cling to the fellowship of the saints, I will stretch my arms across the chasm and receive every child of Christ whom I can reach."

And then they did the deed. The Rev. Dr. Leavitt was excused from voting, and a majority of the ministers, ten to nine voted against the withdrawal, but the lay delegates were too many on the other side, they voted 8 for, and 4 against withdrawal; so that the full vote stood, 17 for, to 14 against dissolving the correspondence between the Congregationalists of Rhode Island, and the Presbyterians of the United States! It is gratifying to be able to say that a majority of the ministers cling to the fellowship of the Churches, and in that majority are men of whom the world is not worth. We hope in God, that the members may be spared to retrace the step they have taken, and repair the breach they have made.—*New York Observer*.

EXPLANATION OF SHOOTING STARS.—"That same old coon," the hard shell Baptist preacher, "of a thousand strings," was recently holding forth on the "end of time," and as there had been a great number of shooting stars not long before, he drew the following bold illustration of that striking phenomenon:

"My brethren, you have often wondered what was the meaning of them shooting stars. It was this, my brethren: When the Lord he saw the stars too thick and close together like, he took the magnifying glass, or the fraction of gravitation, if you please to call it by the vulgar name, and he shook 'em and shook 'em—ah, and thinned 'em out—ah, and he left only the sound ones—ah." Then leaning over the desk, and lowering his voice to a confidential tone, he continued:

"Thus my friends, it will be in the end of the world. The Lord will apply the magnifying glass to the 'em' folks, and shake 'em about and thin 'em out, and the only stars left in the fundamental galaxy of his glory will be the good old Baptist stars."

CAMPFIRE ACCIDENT ON SHIPBOARD.—An explosion of campfire occurred on board the barque *Rolla*, Capt. Rogers, from Cardenas, while at sea, through the carelessness of the steward, Thomas Tilton. He was filling a lamp while it was burning, when the fluid in the lamp and in the feeder caught fire, and both vessels exploded. The steward was burned so badly that he expired in forty-eight hours. The cabin was slightly damaged. The *Rolla*, at the time, was in lat. 32, long. 79.—*N. Y. Com. Advertiser*.

FIRE IN FALL RIVER.—The Massasoit Fire Mill in Fall River was burnt on the 24th inst., between 4 and 5 a. m. The fire broke out in the upper story, and will entail heavy loss upon Messrs. Chase & Haron, who had some 12,000 bushels grain just taken in. The whole loss is estimated at \$50,000, and insurance at \$40,000, but as the engine was wrecked, the insurance will amount to about \$30,000.—*Dr. N. Durfee* owned the building and engines.

The Ohio Wine Crop is estimated at 500,000 gallons. The quantity bottled by Mr. Longworth this season, is one hundred and fifty thousand bottles, and with that added to his previous stock, he has now in cellar half three hundred thousand bottles, mostly quarts, of which 20,000 are of Isabella. The demand rapidly increases.

The Wine business is second only in value to the great grain staple of Ohio.

N. Y. *Journal of Commerce*.

The Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem, has been purchased by Madame Polack, the widow of a wealthy banker of the Hebrew persuasion, at Königsberg, in Prussia. The lady intends to beautify the place and improve the whole neighborhood, at her sole expense. The first thing she did was to plant the whole area with a grove of olive trees, and thus restore it to the original state from which it derives its name.

LAMARTINE.—A Paris journal asserts that M. de Lamartine's long struggle to preserve his family mansion and estate from sale by auction by his creditors, a struggle which, of late years, has caused him incessant literary labour, has ended in failure, and that he, in consequence, has resolved on emigrating to the United States of America.

The voluntary contributions of the people of the United States to religious and benevolent institutions, are among the most gratifying evidences of modern enlightenment. The receipts of nineteen of the great Christian organizations for the year ending in April last, were \$1,849,823.48, being an increase of \$207,948.87 upon the receipts of the previous year.

NEW ORLEANS, June 25.—The Granada brings dates from San Francisco of the 5th of June.

Casey and Corey were hung on the 22d of May, the same day on which Mr. King was buried.

The Vigilance Committee had arrested several other desperate characters, including the notorious Yankee Sullivan. The latter committed suicide on the 1st of June in his cell at the Committee's rooms, leaving a confession touching the elections in San Francisco.

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The act, after having been further amended, was read and passed.

A resolution, introduced by John Nichols, an alien of the city and county of Newport, to hold and transmit certain real estate; read and passed.

An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Northern Bank in Providence; was read and passed.

Mr. Barker, of Warren, submitted the following resolutions, which were read and referred to the committee on Finance:

Resolved, That copies be made, under the direction of the State, of the original portraits of Stephen Hopkins, Esq. Hopkins Commodore Whipple, General William Buxton, and General Nathaniel Greene. That the Secretary examine an ancient portrait reputed to be that of Roger Williams, and if the evidence of genuineness be sufficient, that he also cause a copy of the same to be made, provided all the before-mentioned portraits can be procured in a satisfactory manner for five hundred dollars.

Resolved, That when completed, said portraits shall be placed in the State House in Providence, and the Secretary be authorized to draw on the General Treasurer for the sum above appropriated.

An act to incorporate the Moshassuck Bank in the city of Providence; was passed.

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House.—An act in relation to the election of President and Vice President of the United States. Passed in concurrence.

An act to incorporate the Thayer street Church in Providence; passed.

An act to authorize the city of Newport to regulate hackney coaches and other vehicles; passed.

An act so amending the charter of St. John's Church in Providence as to enable it to tax the pews in said church for the support of the gospel; passed.

Resolution continuing, until the next session of the Assembly, with an order of notice, the petition of Edward C. Allen and others, for leave to appeal from a decree of the court of probate of the town of New Shoreham; passed.

An act dividing the town of Tiverton, and incorporating the new town under the name of River, and the act dividing the town of Cumberland, into three voting districts, were passed.

Three last chapters were also passed; one in Richmond, by the name of the Washington County Bank; one in East Greenwich, by the name of the Greenwich County Bank; and one in Warwick, by the name of the Phenix Village Bank.

The charter of the Phenix Bank in Providence was so amended as to authorize it to increase its capital stock to an amount not exceeding one million of dollars.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

NEWPORT, Monday, June 21, 1856.

Nether House had a quorum present this afternoon, and, of course, no business was transacted.

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SENATE.—Petition of Winslow A. Curtis and wife to adopt child. Granted and act passed.

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A resolution, introduced by John Nichols, an alien of the city and county of Newport, to hold and transmit certain real estate; read and passed.

An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Northern Bank in Providence; was read and passed.

Mr. Barker, of Warren, submitted the following resolutions, which were read and referred to the committee on Finance:

Resolved, That copies be made, under the direction of the State, of the original portraits of Stephen Hopkins, Esq. Hopkins Commodore Whipple, General William Buxton, and

Business Cards.

THOS. H. HUFFUM,
DIRECTOR OF
SOUTH-DOWN SHEEP
AND
North-Down Cattle,
NEAR 2 MILK CORNER,
Middleton, June 15-ly

HENRY H. YOUNG,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN
GROCERIES, SHIP STORES, PROVISIONS,
WINE, BRANDY, FLOUR, TEA, COFFEE,
OLD BRANDY, COGNAC, RUM, &c., &c.,
CO. SUGARS, FLOUR, BEER,
POTATOES, FRUIT, LARD,
OIL, &c., &c.,
And general Commission Merchant, Nos. 64 & 65
Thames street, corner Parade.
Goods warranted and delivered free.

CHARLES P. BARBER,
Nos. 4 & 6 SOUTH SIDE MARKET SQUARE,
DEALER IN WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
CHOICE GROCERIES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION—FRESH TEA, FLOUR,
PROVISIONS, &c., &c.,
Also, Hay, Straw, Corn, Oats, Meal and Feed of
all kinds—Plaster Hair, Sole Leather, &c.,
April 24

T. HUNFORD SEABURY,
DEALER IN
Boots and Shoes of all kinds,
No. 140 THAMES STREET,
Boots and shoes made and repaired.
March 1.

M. & J. COGGESHALL,
Commission Merchants,
—AND DEALERS IN—
Ship Chandlery, Ship Stores, &c.,
AMERICAN AND ENGLISH IRON,
OF SUPERIOR QUALITIES.
11 Commercial Wharf, New York, R. I.
Sept 29.

J. H. COZZENS,
148 THAMES STREET,
DEALER IN
CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, FURNISHING
GOODS, OILS, STUFFS, TRUNKS, VA-
LISES, CARPET BAGS, &c.,
April 12.

Albert Sherman,
—DEALER IN—
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY,
No. 269
SOUTH THAMES STREET,
NEWPORT, R. I.
October 1, 1855.

NATHAN M. CHAFFIN,
PLUMBER, BRASS FOUNDER,
AND COPPER SMITH,
No. 210 THAMES STREET,
Feb 16, 1855. Newport

JOHN H. GREENE,
—Formerly of the Firm of Dummer & Greene, &
SHOP No. 39 LEVIN STREET,
RESIDENCE No. 11 WILLIAM STREET,
Newport, R. I.
Having attached to my shop a Horse Power, I
am prepared to execute all orders with dispatch
and despatch. Feb 16-ly.

EDWARD C. HAYES,
Boot & Shoe Maker,
No. 7 WASHINGTON SQUARE,
NEAR THE FOUNTAIN, NEWPORT, R. I.
Repairing promptly and neatly executed.
Feb 23-ly.

BOSS & DAVIS,
BREAD, CAKE & CRACKER
BAKERS,
206 THAMES STREET, NEWPORT.
Since 26. Since 26.

WILLIAM B. HALE,
—ALL ORDERS LEFT AT No. 18, corner of Mount Ve-
non and Barney Street, will meet with prompt
attention.
Feb 23-ly.

A. L. PIERCE'S
BARBERING SALOON,
No. 75 THAMES STREET,
Jan. 5, 1855, opposite R. A. Sherman's.

O. VAN ZANDT
ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW
Office in the Newport Mercury Building
No. 125 THAMES STREET, (Up Stairs).

AUGUSTUS FRENCH,
Bonnet and Millinery Goods,
No. 96, THAMES STREET.

R. P. BERRY,
—OFFICE—
CORNER OF THAMES AND MARY STREETS,
Newport, March 20, 1855-ly.

R. H. STANTON,
PROVISIONS, SHIP STORES, GROCERIES,
TEAS, FRUIT, &c., &c.,
At Store No. 95 THAMES-ST., opposite Colonnad
Row.
Goods of any description forwarded to cus-
tomers with despatch.
Jan. 1

W. M. DOUGLAS LAKE,
Sheriff of the County of Newport, and
Notary Public.
Office in the State House, Residence No. 8
Broad street.
June 9-ly

D. E. GILICK,
Engraver on Wood,
191 WASHINGTON STREET,
[ENTRANCE ON NORFOLK AVENUE].
Dec 16-ly BOSTON.

F. D. REEDE,
AUCTION AND COMMISSION MERCHANT
126 THAMES STREET, NEWPORT.
June 7-ly

Stores, &c.,
Stoves, Tin Ware, &c.,
THE SUBSCRIBER has in store a large assort-
ment of Parlor and Cook Stoves, Tin Ware of
all kinds, Wooden and Willow Ware. Ranges
of most approved pattern set with care, and war-
ranted to work well. Jobbing punctually at-
tended to. Orders solicited.
WILLIAM BROWNELL,
Opposite R. I. Union Bank.
May 12.

Highly Important.
SPRATT'S Patent Hermetical Seal Sealing
Cans for preserving Fruits, Green Corn, Tom-
atoes, Peas, &c., easily opened, and require
no soldering—may be used year after year—
every Farmer and Housekeeper should be
a purchaser. These cans are made by a new
double patent process, rendering leakage impos-
sible.
Full directions for preserving, accompany the
cans.
For sale by
WM. H. BLISS, Agent,
117 THAMES ST.
July 14

Furnaces & Ranges.
FURNACE, Furnaces and Cooking Ranges set
and repaired, and jobbing of all kinds punctually
attended to.
J. B. LANGLEY, Jr. & CO.,
122 THAMES STREET,
May 10, opposite Messrs. Finch & Engle's.

BATHING APPARATUS.
PLUNGE, Hip and Sponge Baths, and Chil-
dren's Bathing Tubs, at
J. B. LANGLEY, Jr. & CO.,
No. 122 THAMES STREET,
May 10, opposite Finch & Engle's.

For Sale or To Let

TO LET.
Furnished in the most thorough manner.
The large cottage in John street, contain-
ing three parlors, dining-room, six sleep-
ing rooms for family, three or four for servants,
large basement kitchen, (supplied with hot and
cold water), bath room, water closet, and hand
basin, Butler's closet, hot and cold water.
The parlors and dining room, sleeping room and
kitchen are all prepared for lighting with Gas.
It has been painted inside and out, and papered
this season. The parlors have new Brussels Car-
pets and other improvements. The above Cot-
tage has been occupied successively by Joseph
Colledge, Esq., of Boston, A. G. Stout, Esq.,
of New York, Andrew Ritchie, Esq., of Boston,
Philip Allen, Jr., Esq., of Providence, and the
last summer by Gen. De Vaux, of Paris.
Apply to
J. H. COZZENS,
April 12, 152 THAMES ST.

HOUSE FOR SALE.
I NOW OFFER FOR SALE the well known
residence of the late Thomas Dummer, mer-
chant, of this city, situated on Washington
street, with the wharf and all that belongs thereto.
Said wharf is one of the best places that can
be found in New England for a commercial
business, there being at the wharf end of it twenty
feet of water at low tide. If said estate is not
sold by the first day of June next, the house will
then be let as a summer residence, furnished.
For terms, please address
MRS. SARAH BRIGGS,
Feb 2, Newport, R. I.

House for Sale.
THAT beautifully located Cottage House, for
the past three years occupied and occupied by
J. Josephman, Esq. The house has every con-
venience for a residence; there is a large gar-
den well stocked with fruit trees and shrubs;
also a large Barn built last season and calculated
for four horses. For further particulars and
terms apply
DAN N. H. GOULD,
Dec 29-ly, 70 THAMES ST.

FOR SALE.
THE DWELLING HOUSE belonging
to the late Thomas Dummer, Esq., situated on
Washington street. The house is arranged for two
families, and is in good repair. On the premises
is a well of good water and a rain water cistern.
For information apply
PETER P. REMINGTON,
Newport, March 15.

For Sale.
The subscriber offers for sale the two
story house and lot in Oak street. On
the lot is a building 36 feet by 50, two stories
high, rain water cistern and well of good water.
Apply to
JOHN PEARSON,
April 12.

FOR SALE.
The above CONGRESS, of seven-
teen tons, in good order.
For particulars enquire of
S. H. COITRELL & CO.,
May 16-ly

FOR SALE.
The Subscribers house recently built
in Bell Street, and lately occupied by
Mrs. Griffin. It is the best of the best of the
modern improvements. For terms and par-
ticulars apply to
N. M. CHAFFIN,
Sept 1-ly

FOR SALE.
The pleasantly situated house No. 22 John
street, containing eleven good sized rooms.
There is on the premises a good well of water
and cistern, with other conveniences. For terms,
enquire of
F. A. PRATT,
Mercury Office.
May 3-ly

FOR SALE.
ONE NEW BUGGY, and one second hand. Carry-
all, in first rate order.
CORNELL & DENNIS
22 Broad Street.
June 7

For Sale or to Rent.
THE PARK HOTEL, pleasantly situated
near the State House. Possession
given 1st of April. For terms and par-
ticulars apply to
ALFRED SMITH,
Newport, Feb 9-ly

FOR SALE.
A first class covered buggy, entirely new.
For particulars enquire at THIS OFFICE, or of
MICHAEL W. SPENCER,
April 6-ly, 41 THAMES ST.

TO LET.
THE UNION FACTORY, in Portsmouth,
possession given immediately. Apply to
JOHN D. NORTH,
April 19, Agent.

HOUSE AND LOT, No. 61 Bay Street, con-
taining nine rooms. Enquire on the pre-
mises.
S. MOFFITT,
Jan 5.

TO LET.
THREE ROOMS suitable for Offices over No
124 THAMES STREET.
March 5 CHARLES E. HAMMETT, Jr.

TO LET.
STABLE AND CARRIAGE ROOM next the
Masonic Lodge, consisting of six rooms. Enquire
May 21, ON THE PREMISES.

TO LET.
THE CHAMBERS of the house at the corner
of Church and School streets, opposite the
Masonic Lodge, consisting of six rooms. Enquire
May 21, ON THE PREMISES.

COAL!! COAL!! COAL!!!
THE SUBSCRIBER has now on hand a full
supply of English Coal and Scotch Splint
Coal. Also, a superior quality of Red and
White Ash prepared Coal of all sizes, which he
will furnish at the lowest prices.
A. A. O.
Walnut Wood, very superior quality, Southern
Pine do, well seasoned—Seasoned Oak do, very
handsome—Green Oak do, just received and for
sale by
WM. J. SWINBURNE,
Aug 4, wharf opposite foot of May st.

Seasoned Wood.
THE SUBSCRIBER has just received two car-
loads of very handsome, seasoned Oak Wood.
Also, a few cords of young, seasoned Walnut.
I have on hand a supply of Pine Wood of a
superior quality. All kinds of fuel at reduced
prices.
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
March 31, Williams' Wharf.

Pinkerton Coal.
STILL ANOTHER! The third cargo of this
very popular coal just received. Also, a
splendid cargo of Lignite Valley Coal just landed
at the City Coal Yard.
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
Nov 24

Hickory White Ash Coal.
FOR FURNACES, at the City Coal Yard.
Dec 34, CHAS. WILLIAMS.

Carpentering.
STEAM MILL.
THE SUBSCRIBERS wish to call the atten-
tion of the public to the fact that they have
been established on Tanner street, where they
keep on hand and are constantly making
Window Frames, Sashes, Blinds, Doors and Fence
capping, and Mouldings of every description.
Planing and Sawing of all kinds, such as Joist,
Plank, Boards and Clapboards. All Work war-
ranted.
Orders left with Messrs. FINCH & ENGS, will
insure attention.
GIDRON LAWTON & CO.,
Newport, Sept. 4, 1852-ly

CITY STEAM PLANING MILL,
NOS. 1 & 3 SHERMAN ST.,
NEWPORT, R. I.

WHERE Planning, Grooving, and all kinds of
Sawing, and the public generally to the fact
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Legal Notices.

Court of Probate, Newport, June 9, 1855.
ABBY PRABODY, Administratrix on the
estate of
THOMAS B. PRABODY,
presents her first account on said estate for allow-
ance, and for order to distribute from the bal-
ance of said account to the creditors of said Thom-
as B. Prabody, whose claims have been allowed by
the commissioners on said estate. The same is a
true, received and referred for consideration to
a court of Probate to be held at the city clerk's
office, Newport, on Monday, the 7th day of July
next, at 10 o'clock, a.m. Notice is ordered to be
given thereof for three successive weeks in the
Newport Mercury.
June 14. R. H. HOWLAND, Prob. CLK.

Court of Probate, Newport, June 9, 1855.
AN INSTRUMENT in writing purporting to be
the last will and testament of
EDWARD WILLIS,
late of Newport, deceased, is presented to this
court by the Executor therein named, for prob-
ate, and for letters testamentary thereon. The
same is read, received and referred for consid-
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Court of Probate, Newport, June 9, 1855.
PETER P. REMINGTON, Executor of the last
will of
JONATHAN BAILEY,
late of Newport, deceased, presents his 7th ac-
count on and certain for allowance. The same is
read, received and referred for consideration to a
court of Probate to be held at the city clerk's
office, Newport, on Monday, the 7th day of July
next, at 10 o'clock, a.m. Notice is ordered to be
given thereof for three successive weeks in the
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June 14. R. H. HOWLAND, Prob. CLK.

Court of Probate, Newport, June 16th, 1855.
FRANCIS PERRY, Guardian of
the person of
MARGARET PERRY, & FRANCIS PERRY, P. T.
SARGENT PERRY, & FRANCIS PERRY, P. T.
minors, children of Christopher G. Perry, late of
Newport, deceased, presents her guardianship
accounts on the estates of said minors for allow-
ance. The same are received and referred for con-
sideration to a court of Probate to be held at the
city clerk's office in Newport on Monday, the
14th day of July next, at 10 o'clock, a.m. Notice
is ordered to be given thereof for three successive
weeks in the Newport Mercury.
June 21. R. H. HOWLAND, Prob. CLK.

Executors' Notice.
THE UNDERSIGNED have been duly qual-
ified by the Court of Probate, in the City of New-
port, Executors of the last will and testament of
STEPHEN T. NORTHAM,
late of Newport, deceased, by giving bond to said
court as the law directs. All persons having
claims against said estate are requested to pre-
sent the same and those indebted to make im-
mediate payment to
JOHN D. NORTHAM, & Executors,
JAMES PRATT,
June 14.

At a meeting of the City Council of the City
of Newport, held Newport June 17th, 1855.
AN ORDINANCE for the assessment and collection of a
tax on the real estate of the City of Newport, to be
paid by the 1st day of July next, on the real estate
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